

From Neo-Nazi Thug To Theoretician Of Terror To Philosopher Of Pathei-Mathos



David Myatt At A Catholic Church, 1995

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In 1958 the esoteric Hitlerite Savitri Devi published a book titled *The Lightning And the Sun*, {1} in which she expounded her belief that there were three fundamental types of influential men in human history. She termed these types "in Time", "against Time" and "above Time" giving as examples of those types Genghis Khan, Adolf Hitler, and Akhnaton.

Of the man "above Time" she wrote:

"There are also men 'outside Time' or rather 'above Time'; men who live, here and now, in eternity; who (directly at least) have no part to play in the downward rush of history towards disintegration and death, but who behold it from above - as one beholds, from a strong and safe bridge, the irresistible rush of a waterfall into the abyss - and who have repudiated the law of violence which is the law of Time [...]"

But the salvation which the men 'above Time' offer the world is always that which consists in breaking the time-bondage. It is never that which would find its expression in collective life on earth in accordance with Golden Age ideals. It is the salvation of the individual soul, never that of organised society [...]"

Men 'outside Time' or 'above Time,' at the most saviours of souls, have, more often than not, disciples who are definitely men 'against Time.' No organisation can live 'outside Time' - 'above Time' - and hope to bring men back, one day, to the knowledge of the eternal, values.

That, all men 'above Time' have realised. In order to establish, or even to try to establish, here and now, a better order, in accordance with Truth everlasting, one has to live, outwardly at least, like those who are still 'in Time'; like them, one has to be violent, merciless, destructive - but for different ends.

Knowing this, the real men 'above Time' are the first ones to understand and to appreciate the wholehearted efforts of their disciples 'against Time,' however awful these might appear to ordinary people [...]"

The fallen world can never understand them, i.e., know them, any more than *they* can understand the fall of man, in which they have no part, as others, who share it, can, and do. And yet, untiringly - like the Sun, far away and omnipresent - they shed their light; that light which is,

in our growing gloom, like a glimpse of all the past and future dawns." {2}

This, and those categories, explain much about Myatt's adult life. A man who began as someone "in Time": from the age of sixteen a neo-nazi street activist and thug who served two terms of imprisonment for violence; who on a number of occasions was the bodyguard of Colin Jordan, one of the founders of the World Union of National Socialists; {3} who was convicted of leading a gang of thieves {4} and who was part of Column 88, a para-military neo-nazi group. {5}

Then, some twenty-five or so years later, someone "against Time", a 'Theoretician Of Terror' {6} who was alleged to be the author of a document which "provided a detailed step-by-step guide for terrorist insurrection with advice on assassination targets, rationale for bombing and sabotage campaigns, and rules of engagement", {7} a copy of which document was discovered by Police in the flat of David Copeland {8} whose bombs in London in 1999 killed three people and injured over a hundred, and which document was also alleged to have influenced the German group The National Socialist Underground {9}{10} whose members conducted a series of armed robberies and killed nine immigrants.

Someone who in 1998 converted to Islam and before and after the 9/11 attacks publicly supported bin Laden and the Taliban and travelled in the Muslim world supporting Jihad. {11}

Then, around ten years later, a man "above Time" who, rejecting all extremism, political or religious, developed and disseminated the compassionate, non-violent, philosophy of pathei-mathos {12} and who certainly fits what Savitri Devi wrote about such men: that "the fallen world can never understand them."

There is, however, an important exception in Myatt's philosophy to Savitri Devi's men "above Time", for she wrote:

"The most distinctive trait of the men outside or above Time, as opposed to those who live in Time or against Time, is perhaps their consistent refusal to use violence even in order to forward the most righteous cause." {13}

The exception is that of honour which Myatt describes as "the numinous balance" since:

"personal honour is essentially a presencing, a grounding, of ψυχή – of Life, of our φύσις – occurring when the insight (the knowing) of a developed empathy inclines us toward a compassion that is, of necessity, balanced by σωφρονεῖν and in accord with δίκη.

This balancing of compassion – of the need not to cause suffering – by σωφρονεῖν and δίκη is perhaps most obvious on that particular occasion when it may be judged necessary to cause suffering to another human being. That is, in honourable self-defence. For it is natural – part of our reasoned, fair, just, human nature – to defend ourselves when attacked and (in the immediacy of the personal moment) to valorously, with chivalry, act in defence of someone close-by who is unfairly attacked or dishonourably threatened or is being bullied by others, and to thus employ, if our personal judgement of the circumstances deem it necessary, lethal force.

This use of force is, importantly, crucially, restricted – by the individual nature of our judgement, and by the individual nature of our authority – to such personal situations of immediate self-defence and of valorous defence of others, and cannot be extended beyond that, for to so extend it, or attempt to extend it beyond the immediacy of the personal moment of an existing physical threat, is an arrogant presumption – an act of ὕβρις – which negates the fair, the human, presumption of innocence of those we do not personally know, we have no empathic knowledge of, and who present no direct, immediate, personal, threat to us or to others nearby us." {14}

Which might make Myatt's philosophy not only unique but he an exception to most men "above Time" and perhaps a new type of such persons, be they male or female. As for the "fallen ones" of our fallen world who can never understand those "above Time" they certainly do not appreciate let alone understand Myatt or his philosophy born as it was from his own pathei-mathos. A lack of appreciation and understanding mostly fostered in Myatt's case by decades of antifascist - and now Establishment - propaganda and disinformation.

However, as Savitri Devi wrote:

"And yet, untiringly - like the Sun, far away and omnipresent - they shed their light; that light which is, in our growing gloom, like a glimpse of all the past and future dawns."

Archetype Of The Mage?

As someone wrote in 2017:

Si è molto discusso della figura di David Myatt da molte parti in questi ultimi anni. Molti considerano David Myatt come essere Anton Long (ovvero il fondatore dell'ONA) anche se questi sino ad oggi ha sempre negato di esserlo, alcuni semplicemente un individuo che passa da un'ideologia ad un'altra, alcuni un pazzo che inneggia al Jihad ed alla supremazia dell'Islam dopo aver inneggiato alla supremazia ariana ed al Nazionalsocialismo, etc. Da parte nostra (Secuntra Nexion), consideriamo David Myatt come un individuo che incarna l'Archetipo del Mago, del Mutaforma. Un individuo che ha conferito alla propria vita uno scopo ed uno scopo che andasse lontano. Un individuo che ha sperimentato in prima persona le varie faccettature della vita ed una persona che ha creato come risultato del proprio pathei-mathos opere di valore come La Via Numinosa e Reichsfolk ed innumerevoli testi pieni di ispirazione. Che poi David Myatt sia o non sia Anton Long questo può essere considerato irrilevante e rimane una considerazione che ogni singola persona può fare per sé e conferire ad essa il giusto peso.

However, the unproven accusation by antifascists and others, including since 2018 by minions of the Establishment, {15} that Myatt is Anton Long and founder of the O9A has proved exceptionally useful in diverting attention away from his post-2012 writings, his compassionate and non-political philosophy of pathei-mathos, and his rejection of extremism; especially as the antifascists and Establishment propagandists have also claimed, again without any evidence, that Myatt as Anton Long is still involved in that Occult group and still a neo-nazi and that all his post-2012 writings are thus "lies; a deception" with Myatt, as late as 2021, described by an Establishment policy group as one of the twenty most dangerous extremists in the world. {16}

Such is the now the influence of these propagandists, and such the ubiquitous acceptance by Establishment academics and by the hoi polloi of the unproven allegations, that Myatt's post-2012 writings and post-2012 interviews {17} have been ignored, with the situation analogous to the pre-2000 one in respect of his National Socialist writings, in which regard we quote from what is so far the only fully-referenced overview of Myatt's strange life. {18}

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As Myatt wrote in his *A Reply to Allegations* dated 111yf [2000] following his "door-stepping" interview by the BBC Panorama team in June 2000 {19} in a village near Malvern, England,

"For over twenty years, journalists, those opposed to National-Socialism, and dishonourable, egotistical weak-willed rumour-mongers among the so-called racial-nationalist 'Movement', have been circulating rumours and making allegations about my personal involvement with Occultism and Satanism. This is despite the fact that I have denied and do deny ever having been a 'Satanist', and despite the fact that I have stated many times that I regard Satanism as decadent and morally wrong.

These rumours and allegations were started by, and are still circulated by, my enemies for one simple reason - to try and discredit me personally. For, if I can be discredited in such a way, people will not take seriously what I have written about National-Socialism and what I have done for this most noble of Causes.

For well over fifty years the enemies of National-Socialism, the Zionists, have used the power of the Media, which is in their hands, to discredit or try to destroy the reputation of those individuals who either publicly oppose them or who those Zionists consider are or may be dangerous to them." {20}

In a 20 page essay titled *A Matter Of Honour* published in 2012, {21} Myatt went into some detail to rebut the allegations, ending his essay by writing that it is:

"a matter of honour. Of personal knowing [...] The traditional gentlemanly and ladylike virtues and their cultivation are no longer the standard which individuals are expected to aspire to and to uphold. Thus I do not expect the plethora of rumours and allegations about me to suddenly cease, although I admit I do and perhaps naively nurture a vague hope that what I have written here may cause a few individuals to reconsider the veracity of such rumours and allegations."

As Myatt predicted the rumours and allegations did not cease and, beginning in 2018, actually intensified due in part to a well-financed campaign by an anti-fascist organization, supported by several politicians,

to have what they deemed to be an Occult organization banned by the British government and which particular Occult movement they publicly associated with David Myatt. {22}

However, that anti-fascist group and their supporters, like others over the past forty or so years who have accused Myatt of such involvement, did not provide anything probative - any evidence admissible in a court of law - to support their accusations. Where is the authenticated paper, the digital trail, the forensically examined documents, the audio or video recordings that could be presented as evidence in a court of law? In over forty years no one has presented any evidence.

It therefore seems reasonable to conclude that accusations and rumours of Myatt's involvement with that particular Occult movement have now become something of a modern urban myth.

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The reality is that antifascists, and since 2018 the Establishment, use and have used the Große Lüge propaganda technique. The aim was and is that if they repeat the claims or lies about the O9A and about Myatt often enough for long enough then the hoi polloi will believe the claims; which seems to have worked since so many now seem to believe them and repeat them in a classic example of argumentum ad populum, which is when something is accepted as true just because so many people believe it is true.

Argumentum ad Populum

The post-2018 Establishment Große Lüge involved the use of 'black propaganda' {23} manufactured by a well-paid FBI informant turned agent-provocateur who disseminated it in person and by means of both the fake O9A nexion - the so-called Tempel ov Blood - he manufactured as well as by disgusting books such as *Iron Gates* and *The Rape Anthology*. Which 'black propaganda' included the vile claims that the O9A condoned and incited paedophilia, misogyny, and sexual violence.

As intended and expected, this vile 'black propaganda' was unquestioningly accepted by journalists, by the Media, by politicians, by special interest well-financed mostly government supported policy groups, and by academics; accepted as representing part of what they termed 'O9A ideology', resulting in professionally produced, widely distributed misleading reports and documents about the O9A not only (i) by such Establishment entities as the Combating Terrorism Center at the West Point Military Academy, the government and Microsoft funded Institute for Strategic Dialogue, and the NGO (government funded) Counter Extremism Project, {24} but also (ii) by antifascist political advocacy groups such as 'Hope Not Hate' (HnH) whose CEO in 2016 was awarded an MBE by the then British Tory government for his "services in tackling extremism" and who was appointed by them to advise their 'Commission for Countering Extremism'. {25}

This uncritical acceptance of Establishment 'black propaganda' led to calls by politicians and others for the O9A to be outlawed:

Will the Government, as highlighted by the group Hope not Hate, whose work I pay tribute to, seek to outlaw the neo-Nazi organisation Order of the Nine Angles, alongside other despicable far-right groups? I pay tribute to my hon. Friend the Member for Barnsley East (Stephanie Peacock) for the work that she continues to do on this as chair of the all-party Hope not Hate group. Clearly, proscription should mark the start and not the end of the process. As such, is the Minister happy with the level of enforcement against proscribed organisations and their members?

Conor McGinn, MP for St Helens North:

<https://hansard.parliament.uk/Commons/2021-07-13/debates/673D4D8F-D90C-450B-B7E8-26B63018E5D3/PreventionAndSuppressionOfTerrorism>

All of which prompts the important question: why did the Establishment and its agencies employ 'black propaganda', agent provocateurs, and use the resources of its governments, with the intent of discrediting the O9A in the eyes of the public? Why did they, as in the case of Kaleb Cole, use an FBI informant to entrap him? {26} Why did they have their agents pose as O9A members, as in the case of Ethan Melzer, and as in their plan to infiltrate and disrupt the O9A?

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"Court papers reveal the individuals he [Melzer] was communicating with online weren't

members of the Order of Nine Angles - or O9A - as he believed, but rather, government informants who helped build the case against him."

<https://web.archive.org/web/20220806043054/https://www.usnews.com/news/us/articles/2022-06-25/army-privates-plea-shelved-internet-fantasy-chat-defense>

"A government propaganda unit has been secretly working to dismantle a British neo-Nazi network linked to murders and extremist plots around the world, The Mail on Sunday can reveal. Undercover agents from the security service's Research, Information and Communications Unit (RICU) have been ordered to infiltrate the far-Right Order of Nine Angles (ONA) movement."

<https://web.archive.org/web/20220925061209/https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9107019/Government-propaganda-unit-given-secret-mission-infiltrate-neo-Nazis-linked-terror-plots.html>

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Why are they using the case of Ethan Melzer to establish a legal basis for the Order of Nine Angles (O9A, ONA) being an 'extremist ideology' linked to terrorism which should be treated like Al-Qaeda and thus banned as a terrorist entity, with an official press by release by Damian Williams of the US Department of Justice in 2022 following Melzer's conviction {27} falsely and propagandistically claiming that: (i) the O9A expressed admiration for Usama Bin Laden; (ii) members of O9A have also participated in acts of violence, including murders; (iii) Melzer has been a member of O9A since at least 2017; (iv) Melzer joined the U.S. Army in approximately 2018 as part of an O9A insight role. {28}

Was the Establishment campaign because the O9A promotes a modern hermetic, practical, Seven Fold Way and the mystical way of the rural Rounwytha? Was it because the O9A has a cyclical view of history with its notions of Aeons, civilizations, and their decline and fall?

Was it because - correctly understood through research into its primary sources - the O9A advocated the aristocratic ethos and culture of καλὸς-κἀγαθός over and above the values and the popular 'culture' of the hoi polloi and which ethos provided the raison d'etre for the ancient pagan practice of culling? {29}

Or was it because the O9A promoted an anarchic anti-State Dreccian life-style (subculture) with its code of kindred - 'gang' - honour and rejected the patriarchal ethos as manifest in Christianity, Judaism and Islam?

Or was it, as seems to be the most probable explanation, because O9A philosophy and subculture rejected the Establishment orthodoxy in regard to National Socialism, the Second World War and the Shoah, and also rejected the Establishment *idée fixe* that multiculturalism is 'good' and that those who oppose it are 'bad' and in its place suggested not only the celebration of one's own ancestral folk culture and the creation of new folkish homelands but also a new mythos, created by Myatt during his neo-nazi decades, centred around tribes and clans and an archetypal figure named Vindex? {30}

As we noted last year:

"The trouble with David Myatt and the Order Of Nine Angles - why both have been the subject of a decades-long hate and disinformation campaign by anti-fascists - is that their works have explained and exposed not only what the modern Magian ethos is, but also what the ideologies, the causal abstractions, and laws derived from or manifesting it imply for the peoples of the nations of the West." {31}

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{1} A 2019 edition of the book was published by Wewelsburg Archives and is available at:
<https://archive.org/download/the-lightning-and-the-sun-wewelsburg-archives/The%20Lightning%20and%20the%20Sun%20%28Wewelsburg%20Archives%29.pdf>

{2} *Lightning And The Sun*, Wewelsburg Archives edition, p.43f

{3} Nicholas Goodrick-Clarke, *Hitler's Priestess: Savitri Devi, the Hindu-Aryan Myth and Neo-Nazism*, NYU Press, 2000, p.215

{4} David Myatt, *Myngath*, pp.88-89. <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2013/04/david-myatt-myngath.pdf>

{5} Nicholas Goodrick-Clark, *Black Sun: Aryan Cults, Esoteric Nazism and the Politics of Identity*. 2001, pp.215-217

{6} *Theoretician of Terror*, Searchlight, issue #301, July 2000

{7} Michael Whine. *Cyberspace: A New Medium for Communication, Command and Control by Extremists*, Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, Volume 22, Issue 3. Taylor & Francis. 1999.

{8} Paul Jackson. *Colin Jordan and Britain's Neo-Nazi Movement*, Bloomsbury Publishing, 2016, p.174.

{9} Ikke så ensomme ulver, <https://web.archive.org/web/20150923015005/http://www.nrk.no/ytring/ikke-sa-ensomme-ulver-1.11026908>

{10} Daniel Koehler. *The German National Socialist Underground (NSU)*, in *The Post-War Anglo-American Far Right: A Special Relationship of Hate*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2014. pp.134-135

{11} Mark Weitzmann, *Anti-Semitism and Terrorism*, in *Terrorism and the Internet: Threats, Target Groups, Deradicalisation Strategies*. NATO Science for Peace and Security Series, vol. 67. IOS Press, 2010. pp.16-17.

{12} An overview of Myatt's philosophy is provided in *Misunderstanding Denotata In Myatt's Philosophy Of Pathei-Mathos*, available at <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/06/myatt-denotata-part-one-v1.pdf>

A more detailed analysis is provided in the third edition of *The Mystic Philosophy Of David Myatt*, available at <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2021/08/myatt-philosophy-third-edition.pdf>

The 2011 article *One Man Above Time: David Myatt, Reichsfolk, Esoteric Hitlerism, and Savitri Devi*, was the first to suggest Myatt might be a man "above Time". It is reproduced in full in Appendix I.

{13} *Lightning And The Sun*, Wewelsburg Archives edition, p.45

{14} <https://davidmyatt.wordpress.com/honour-the-numinous-balance/>

{15} By 'the Establishment' is meant those who in modern Western societies have the power, the means, to influence and to shape 'public opinion' on matters political and social. The Establishment thus includes politicians and the incumbent government and often the 'political opposition', large often multinational business enterprises, the mainstream Media (especially national newspapers and television and now internet news media and outlets), well-funded special-interest advocacy groups both political and business-orientated; established academics whose work has featured in mainstream publications, and 'independent' or 'freelance' journalists whose work appears in or is cited by the mainstream Media.

{16} <https://web.archive.org/web/20210126120934/https://www.counterextremism.com/content/top-20-extremists>

{17} (i) *A Summer 2022 Interview*, <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/08/dm-interview-summer-2022-parts1-2-v1.pdf> (ii) *Some Questions For David Myatt*, <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/05/dwm-questions-may-22.pdf> (iii) *Questions For DWM, 2014*, <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2014/12/dwm-2014-questions.pdf>

{18} *The Peregrinations Of David Myatt: National Socialist Ideologist*, <https://concerningmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/09/dm-ns-ideologue-second-edition.pdf>

{19} https://web.archive.org/web/20150908040728/http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/static/audio_video/programmes/panorama/transcripts/transcript_30_06_00.txt

{20} *A Reply to Allegations*. Included in *Ethical National Socialism*, available at <https://cosmicreich.files.wordpress.com/2011/03/ethical-ns.pdf>

One of Myatt's consistently ignored National Socialist writings, then as now, is his 1997 *Occultism and National-Socialism* in which he stated "National-Socialism and Occultism are fundamentally, and irretrievably, incompatible and opposed to each other." The article is available at <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2023/01/myatt-occult-ns.pdf>

{21} <https://davidmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2018/08/a-matter-of-honour.pdf>

{22} The campaign includes reports by the Combating Terrorism Center' at the Establishment-run West Point Military Academy, the Counter Extremism Project, and the government and Microsoft funded Institute for Strategic Dialogue.

The propagandistic nature of the reports, and the failure to use or cite primary sources, is described in *O9A: Fallacies And Establishment Propaganda*, <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2022/11/fallacies-wikipedia-o9a-v3.pdf>

{23} 'Black propaganda' is material which does not appear to be propaganda; whose real origins are concealed; which is misleading or designed to discredit, and which gives the impression it has been produced/circulated by a particular person or persons or by a particular group/organization or by a State-entity.

It was used by Allied governments during the First and Second World Wars as well as during the 'Cold War', and also between the 1950s and 1970s by the FBI as part of a Counter Intelligence Program to discredit domestic American groups and individuals including the Ku Klux Klan, qv. <https://web.archive.org/web/20120910071729/http://www.icdc.com/~paulwolf/cointelpro/cointel.htm>

{24} (a) The Institute for Strategic Dialogue report on the O9A is analysed in part II of *O9A: Propaganda, Fallacies, And Wikipedia*, available at <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2022/11/fallacies-wikipedia-o9a-v3.pdf>

(b) The Counter Extremism Project report on the O9A is analysed in *Hypocrisy, Propaganda, And The Downfall Of The Establishment*, available at <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2022/11/propaganda-downfall-hypocrites-v1b.pdf>

{25} The decades-long propaganda campaign of this particular antifascist, directed at one public individual, is described in *The Modern Tale Of An Antifascist Propagandist*, available at <https://concerningmyatt.files.wordpress.com/2022/09/a-modern-tale.pdf>

{26} <https://www.scribd.com/document/606088463/Trial-Of-Kaleb-Cole-Motion-To-Suppress>

{27} <https://web.archive.org/web/20220626164149/https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdny/pr/us-army-soldier-pleads-guilty-attempting-murder-fellow-service-members-deadly-ambush>

{28} Propagandistically claimed because (a) no citations were provided, (b) because they could all be disproved by reference to the published writings of Anton Long {30} and, crucially, (c) they had not been scrutinized and proven to be evidential in a Court of Law during a trial since the defendant pleaded guilty to three charges. According to US law: "a district court does not evaluate the adequacy of the facts set forth to satisfy the elements of a charged offense. At the indictment stage, we do not evaluate the adequacy of the facts to satisfy the elements of the charged offense. That is something we do after trial." United States District Court, S.D. New York, Oct 14, 2021, Judge Gregory H. Woods, 1:20-cr-314-GHW (S.D.N.Y. Oct. 14, 2021)

{29} In regard to the O9A and the principle of καλὸς-κάγαθός refer to the section *Honour And Ethos*, pp.3ff, of *The Boundaries Of O9A Philosophy*, <https://gawathan.files.wordpress.com/2022/09/o9a-boundaries-philosophy-v9.pdf>

{30} An overview of The Vindex Mythos is given in *Concerning The Vindex Mythos*, available at (i) <https://archive.org/download/reichsfolk-concerning-vindex/reichsfolk-concerning-vindex-v1.pdf> and also at (ii) <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2022/11/reichsfolk-concerning-vindex-v1.pdf>

{31} *The Trouble With David Myatt And The Order Of Nine Angles*, is available at <https://theo9away.files.wordpress.com/2021/12/trouble-with-myatt-o9a-v5.pdf>.

Appendix I

One Man Above Time

David Myatt, Reichsfolk, Esoteric Hitlerism, and Savitri Devi

In a 2003 article published in *Das Reich* - the internal bulletin of Reichsfolk {1} distributed at the time to only a few dozen people - Myatt stated that

"In the terms of Savitri Devi, my way of Folk Culture {2} is a philosophy manifesting what is 'above time', while the ethical National-Socialism of Reichsfolk and other groups is 'against time', that is, imbued with both Lightning and Sun: a necessary precursor of that future when the empathy and compassion of the way of Folk Culture is a reality for more than just some small isolated communities of mystics dwelling on planet Earth." {3}

The article coincided with Myatt's plan - a plan described in detail by Professor Michael in his 2006 book *The Enemy of My Enemy* - to bring National Socialists and radical Muslims together so that they could, in practical ways, fight those he regarded as "their common enemy". To wit, Zionists.

In this article - which Myatt himself some months before his apostasy from Islam openly published in 2009 with some minor corrections - he states that the non-racist 'ethical National Socialism' he had developed in the late 1990's was "a numinous option for individuals who are so inclined to engage the Magian" and that

"the ethical National-Socialism of Reichsfolk [is] the required and necessary prelude to the emergence, some time in the still distant future, of a numinous way of life for the majority of human beings expressed as that is by the rather mystical way of Folk Culture."

It seems particularly relevant that Myatt then, in 2003, described his 'way of folk culture' in reference to the term 'above time', a term first used by esoteric Hitlerist Savitri Devi in the 1950's. To place this in perspective, I shall quote at length what was the gist of his argument:

"I see no ultimate contradiction between the way of Folk Culture and National-Socialism, or between those and the Muslim quest for a new Khilafah. For the operative word here is ultimate: that is, in the Cosmic scheme of things, although there is perhaps the illusion of contradiction, the illusion of causal forms. Yet there is a numinous (acausal) presencing - or rather, numinous presencings, in causal Space and causal Time; which change or which can change - by a process of numinous symbiosis and over long durations of causal Time - the life-forms living in the causal.

I regard such ethical National-Socialism, and the emergence of a Khilafah in Muslim lands, as a possible prelude - indeed, as possibly the required and necessary prelude - to the emergence, some time in the still distant future, of a numinous way of life for the majority of human beings, as expressed by my mystical way of Folk Culture.

That is, this Folk Culture is currently not a practicable alternative, for a majority of human beings who live in oppressive, Magian-dominated societies, or who live in poverty, or for whom day to day practical survival is more important than some mystical philosophy propounded by some relatively affluent Gnostic living in the relative comfort and stability of the West.

In essence, the way of Folk Culture is both of now, and of our human future - the preferred ethical choice, now, for those who resonate with it - while ethical NS and a Muslim Khilafah are the necessary and numinous choice of those who honourably resonate with them due to their current conditions, their culture, and their personality.

That is, there is and should be a free choice; and a choice which devolves around the reality that exists now on planet Earth, and the reality of human beings, as they are now - not as I or some other mystic might prefer human beings to be and not as I or some other mystic would like the Earth to be: replete with empathic, honourable, compassionate, human beings. Our current reality, sadly, is of a world increasingly dominated by the sly profane Magian and their un-numinous causal abstractions which include both usury and the tyranny of an abstract law which is anathema to all noble human beings possessed of an instinct for honour, for fair-play.

There is, and should be, a mutual respect and tolerance between those who have opted to follow the way of Folk Culture and those who have - for whatever practical or personal reason - opted for the more temporal (against-Time) way of ethical National-Socialism, in the lands of the West and elsewhere, or the way of the Khilafah, in the lands of the Muslims. Just as there was, for example, a respect by Adolf Hitler for the Wandervogel, those German youths who followed a different way. Indeed, many years ago I remember being shown a photograph - by a decorated German soldier who had pledged his loyalty to Adolf Hitler and who bravely fought for NS Germany - of Hitler warmly greeting some Wandervogel at Berchtesgaden.

My vision is of Aeons; of centuries, of millennia, and thus in a sense is quite pragmatic: of the means required to bring-into-being new ways of numinous living for human beings, on this planet Earth, and of the means required to enable us to leave this Earth and so grow to maturity among the star-systems of our, and of other, Galaxies.

Viewed in such an Aeonic - such a Cosmic - perspective both ethical National-Socialism and a Muslim Khilafah are or could be means to such numinous futures. Steps along the way, and, for now, a practical means, in causal Time and causal Space, of replacing the current material profanity of the Magian ethos with something numinous. For if this replacement does not occur, within the next century or two, then our prospects, as human beings, are in my view decidedly unfavourable, for the world-wide triumph of the Magian, and of the Magian ethos, will mean a rapid descent into abject tyranny and then a return to primitive barbarism - with a suffering which will far surpass all the horrid suffering human beings endured during the past thousand years."

Savitri Devi and The Lightning and The Sun

It appears that in the Das Reich article Myatt is linking his apolitical mystical 'way of Folk Culture' philosophy with the esoteric National Socialist tradition that Savitri Devi helped to create by her seminal work *The Lightning and The Sun*, first published in Calcutta in 1958.

Since Myatt writes that his way of Folk Culture is a philosophy 'above Time' and that his ethical National Socialism is 'against Time', it is pertinent to quote some relevant passages from Chapter 3 of the aforementioned book by Savitri Devi:

"But there are also men 'outside Time' or rather 'above Time'; men who live, here and now, in eternity; who (directly at least) have no part to play in the downward rush of history towards disintegration and death, but who behold it from above - as one beholds, from a strong and safe bridge, the irresistible rush of a waterfall into the abyss - and who have repudiated the law of violence which is the law of Time.....

But the salvation which the men 'above Time' offer the world is always that which consists in breaking the time-bondage. It is never that which would find its expression in collective life on earth in accordance with Golden Age ideals. It is the salvation of the individual soul, never that of organised society.....

Men 'outside Time' or 'above Time,' at the most saviours of souls, have, more often than not, disciples who are definitely men 'against Time.' No organisation can live 'outside Time' - 'above Time' - and hope to bring men back, one day, to the knowledge of the eternal, values.

That, all men 'above Time' have realised. In order to establish, or even to try to establish, here and now, a better order, in accordance with Truth everlasting, one has to live, outwardly at least, like those who are still 'in Time'; like them, one has to be violent, merciless, destructive - but for different ends.

Knowing this, the real men 'above Time' are the first ones to understand and to appreciate the wholehearted efforts of their disciples 'against Time,' however awful these might appear to ordinary people.... The fallen world can never understand them."

Importantly, these quotes from Savitri Devi do indeed appear to place Myatt, and his work, into a particular perspective, that of National Socialism - for his way of Folk Culture philosophy, with its emphasis on empathy, compassion and the cessation of suffering, is certainly, judging by what Devi writes, 'above Time' while his ethical National-Socialism, his Reichsfolk group, his influence on many contemporary National Socialists, from Russia, to Finland, to Serbia, to America - and even his then support for a new Muslim Khilafah in Muslim lands - does seem to be, as Devi expresses it in a quote above, a man 'above Time' understanding and appreciating "the wholehearted efforts of their disciples

against Time, however awful these might appear to ordinary people." Myatt, certainly, expresses such an understanding and appreciation of those 'against Time', for he wrote that:

"Viewed in such an Aeonic - such a Cosmic - perspective both ethical National-Socialism and a Muslim Khilafah are....steps along the way, and, for now, a practical means, in causal Time and causal Space, of replacing the current material profanity of the Magian ethos with something numinous."

As Devi also, perhaps poignantly, writes of the men 'above Time' - the fallen world can never understand them. Which possibly explains why Myatt is so mis-understood, and so maligned, even by many individuals who deign to describe themselves as 'National Socialists' but who seem to fail to apply the ethic of honor which Myatt has placed at the heart of his Reichsfolk National Socialism.

Toward The Cosmic Reich

Myatt's essay is also noticeable for the theme of Galactic colonization which runs through it, as well as for Myatt's emphasis on the long-term nature of his work - that is, what he calls his Aeonic vision and perspective.

Hence, he views his own mystical Folk Culture philosophy as the way of only a few enlightened individuals, at least until the ones 'against Time' represented by those promulgating his ethical National Socialism and by those Muslims violently seeking to create a new Muslim Khilafah - have replaced "the current material profanity of the Magian ethos with something numinous."

Myatt's Cosmic vision is of, "the means required to bring-into-being new ways of numinous living for human beings, on this planet Earth, and of the means required to enable us to leave this Earth and so grow to maturity among the star-systems of our, and of other, Galaxies." Which rather neatly returns him to much earlier, 1980's, National Socialist works of his where he wrote and spoke about a Galactic Imperium and a Cosmic Reich.

It seems to me especially relevant that Myatt, in the Das Reich article, writes that, "in the Cosmic scheme of things", there is no contradiction between his compassionate ethereal Folk Culture and National Socialism, nor between these and the Muslim quest for a new Khilafah. For, as he admits, he was being pragmatic - considering such things, as one might expect someone 'above Time' to do, with an almost cosmic detachment.

In particular, this cosmic detachment - which seems to so enrage Myatt's enemies - places Myatt's decade long support for violent Jihad into the correct perspective. For he is, and has been, in the words of Savitri Devi, accepting of those 'against Time' who have "to be violent, merciless, destructive," regarding such Jihad, as Myatt does, as one practical means to defeat his life-long enemy, the euphemistically termed Magian, in preparation for Myatt's New Golden Age of Galactic exploration and colonization when his mystical Folk Culture, or something similar, will finally enlighten humanity, or at least a significant number of them.

That the nature and relevance of Myatt's support for and tolerance of such diverse violent means has not been understood, except by a few individuals - and is especially misunderstood by many who describe themselves as 'National Socialists' - is surely yet more proof of just how well David Myatt now fits Savitri Devi's label of a man 'above Time'.

Arete and Hubris

In his Das Reich article Myatt described National Socialism as a combination of *arête* and *hubris*:

"While National-Socialist Germany did manage to move toward creating the beginnings of a new type of society which was more noble and more numinous than those of its contemporary States (which exposes the reality of those States), it was inherently flawed, and transient, due to the use of abstractions, such as race, State, abstract laws enforced by threat of imprisonment, that of a supra-personal and somewhat arrogant destiny, and of war as a means of trying to resolve conflicts and implement that destiny.

Hence, it was an unstable amalgam, a curious mixture, of *ἀρετή* and *ὑβρις*, as for example were many Greek heroes of myth, literature and legend, such as mighty Agamemnon, that son of Atreus: which possibly explains why NS Germany continues to fascinate and enthrall certain people, and why as a way of living it engaged so many good, honourable, and indeed cultured, Germans, with many of these admiring it even after its defeat."

Nearly ten years later he was, however, to write:

"I do not support these particular causal forms or Ways [National Socialism and Islam] - only understand them, or more correctly, I have only sought to understand them in the context of honour and its presencing. Support implies some-thing I have, as a result on my πάθει μάθος, abandoned - directed activity, belonging-to, and organizations, in the causal. That item, that dialogue, which you refer to, was only an attempt to place such forms in their correct perspective. My view, my perspective, now, is that of the compassionate way of The Philosophy of The Numen - not of the National-Socialism of Reichsfolk, and not of the Way of Ahlus Sunnah wal-Jammah."

Nonetheless, despite this later detachment - culminating in his post-2012 'philosophy of pathei-mathos' - Myatt retains a certain influence - and even followers (what Devi call disciples) - both 'in Time' and 'against Time', in National Socialist circles since he expresses a particular type of knowledge that some people find interesting if not fascinating, involving as this knowledge does not only his particular cosmic vision of human evolution, but also a type of millennialism which writers such as Savitri Devi and Julius Evola also tried to express in their own ways.

Except in Myatt's case it is not a theoretical, an academic, knowledge, but a knowledge born from his own rather extraordinary, varied, practical experiences, and, as he writes, his "interior reflexion" upon those often extreme and violent experiences. Which may indeed mark him as not only interesting and misunderstood but also unique, since he has developed his own mystical - 'above Time' - philosophy, that of his ethical Numinous Way, which has taken him far when where he began, as a violent and fanatical neo-nazi thug.

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{1} The Das Reich bulletin was mentioned in the *Nazi Satanism And The New Aeon* chapter of the book *Black Sun: Aryan Cults, Esoteric Nazism, and the Politics of Identity*, authored by Nicholas Goodrick-Clarke (page 223 of the edition published by NYU Press in 2003). It was also mentioned - in the section headed David Wulstan Myatt - in the earlier book *Encyclopedia of White Power: A Sourcebook on the Radical Racist Right*, edited by Jeffrey Kaplan and published by Rowman & Littlefield in 2000.

{2} Since Myatt uses the term Folk Culture in the article some explanation of its meaning may be required. Folk Culture - sometimes described by Myatt as the 'way' or the 'numinous way' of Folk Culture - was initially formulated between 1997 and 1999, and which early formulation was mainly a combination (a) of his idealistic, mystical 1990s National Socialist writings - such as his *The Theology of National-Socialism* and parts of the third (114yf) edition of his *The Religion of National-Socialism* with the term 'folk culture' replacing the term 'national socialism' and with most references to Hitler and the Third Reich removed, and (b) his 'ethical National Socialism' writings circulated by Reichsfolk again with the term 'folk culture' replacing the term 'national socialism' and with most references to Hitler and the Third Reich removed. Folk Culture was based on Myatt's concept of a 'Cosmic Being', of 'the folk' as a living and evolving manifestation of that Being, and of 'the folk' having a Nature-given duty to preserve its distinctiveness.

That he later, post-2006, at first used the term 'numinous way' to describe his apolitical, compassionate, world-view based on pathei mathos was initially most confusing, which was perhaps one of the reasons he, post-2012, adopted the term 'philosophy of pathei-mathos' instead.

{3} Publisher's Note, 2023: The full text of Myatt's 2003 Das Reich article is included below as Appendix II.

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Addendum, 2015: Notes On A Forgery

In 2011 the website of the Aryan Nations faction led by a certain August Kreis - an American subscriber to the Das Reich bulletin - published an article allegedly by Myatt under the title *David Myatt: National-Socialism, The Numinous Way, and a Muslim Khilafah*.

It subsequently, in 2012, was revealed that the Kreis article was a forgery. His forgery - initially widely circulated via the medium of the internet, sometimes under the title *David Myatt: On National-Socialism*

and a Muslim Khilafah - contained extensive quotations from Myatt's 2003 Das Reich article as well as from other Das Reich articles between 2003 and 2005 written by Myatt and by others on the subject of neo-nazi and Jihadi cooperation. Kreis had added some paragraphs of his own and substituted the term 'numinous way' for 'folk culture' in an attempt to make it appear contemporaneous since Kreis dated his article 2011 and styled it as a recent "interview" with Myatt.

That several people - myself included - were initially taken in by this forgery is a reminder that vigilance is required in this internet age in respect of authorship, attribution, and content. It subsequently transpired that Kreis himself had a history of fraud, for which crime he spent time in jail, and that he is currently serving 50 years in jail for other non-political and more serious offences.

Appendix II

National-Socialism, Folk Culture, and a Muslim Khilafah

David Myatt

In the terms of Savitri Devi, my "Way of Folk Culture" is a philosophy manifesting what is "above time", while the ethical National-Socialism of Reichsfolk and other groups is "against time", that is, imbued with both Lightning and Sun: a necessary precursor of that future when the empathy and compassion of Folk Culture is a reality for more than just some small isolated communities of mystics dwelling on planet Earth.

One prefers - if one has a certain human nature - wu-wei, love, empathy, compassion, the beauty of numinous culture, and the reclusive life of a mystic; but if one is faced with a dishonourable person, a bully, who demands one submits to him, then one knows what to do, just as, for example, Boadicea (and I use that spelling deliberately) knew what to do when her daughters were raped by Roman invaders and when she was, finally, defeated.

Our true and conscious - our developed - human nature may well be to be empathic in the immediacy of the living moment, but a vast number of human beings are currently far from being empathic and so do not act in a reasonable, honourable, compassionate way. And these far from compassionate and far from honourable human beings do so have tendency to sometimes cross our path, as they do so tend to dishonourably inflict themselves upon others.

Given that we currently have States and Nations, and a Magian imperative and ethos imposed upon us, and given that currently the Way of Folk Culture is a minority way of empathic individuals and of emerging clans and tribes, one way of moving toward a more honourable way of life for the majority - of countering such dishonour as rampantly now exists in this world of ours and of moving toward a Galactic Imperium - is the formation of ethical National-Socialist societies, and/or of a Muslim Khilafah which seeks to implement the hukm of Allah. For both such societies - of ethical NS and of a Muslim Khilafah - would significantly reduce the un-numinous decadence, the profanity, the hubris, that is manifest in all other societies, especially those in the modern West and especially those inflicted upon Muslims in Muslim lands. In addition, both such societies would or could presence the Numen in a manner acceptable and beneficial to a majority as they would certainly tackle the perfidy, the dishonour, so manifest in the Magian and their lackeys.

Thus, while the Cosmic goal - for the majority - is a numinous, empathic, way of life based upon the virtues of compassion and personal honour, this will not arise for many, many, centuries, perhaps not for a millennia or more; and certainly will never arise until the tyranny of the Magian - both psychic and practical - is defeated and replaced in a practical way.

Therefore, a numinous option is for individuals who are so inclined to engage the Magian and to support those NS and/or Muslim alternatives which manifest at least part of the Numen in an honourable way. It is no coincidence that the two things the Magian hate and detest and fear - and which they seek to destroy - are practical, overt, expressions of genuine (that is, ethical) National-Socialism and the implementation, by Muslims in their own lands, of the hukm of Allah, manifest in a Khilafah.

As I have mentioned many times in the last decade or so, for example, in my *Mythos of Vindex*:

"The currently unpopular and often censored truth of our times is that National-Socialist

Germany - what it had evolved to be by the beginning of The First Zionist War - was a modern mostly unconscious expression of the numinous, honourable, warrior ethos, and stood in complete and stark contrast to the materialism, the hubris, of the Magian and their allies and servants in the West, represented by the arrogant, profane, White Hordes of Homo Hubris. Furthermore, had NS Germany not been defeated by The White Hordes of Homo Hubris and by the machinations of the Magian, there is almost no doubt that it would have evolved further to become the genesis of a new numinous resurgence, and restored to the West, and other lands, that connexion to the numinous which centuries of plunder, exploitation, greed, abstractions, and dishonourable war had severed."

It is my view that the ethical National-Socialism of Reichsfolk is a development, an evolution, of the National-Socialism of Adolf Hitler in a manner consistent with the vision of Hitler, Remer, Degrelle, Rudolf Hess, and others; what they envisioned NS Germany would, could, and should evolve to become, given victory over the perfidy of the Magian and the Magian ethos.

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In place of abstractions such as a large race represented by an ethnic State with its cities, its hierarchy of control and its system of supra-personal laws, Reichsfolk is predicated on small (often rural) folk communities and on mutual non-hierarchical cooperation between such folk communities.

Thus I see no contradiction between the way of Folk Culture and National-Socialism, or even ultimately between those and the Muslim quest for a new Khilafah. For the operative word here is ultimate: that is, in the Cosmic scheme of things, although there is perhaps the illusion of contradiction, the illusion of causal forms. Yet there is a numinous (acausal) presencing - or rather, numinous presencings, in causal Space and causal Time; which change or which can change - by a process of numinous symbiosis and over long durations of causal Time - the life-forms living in the causal.

I regard such ethical National-Socialism, and the emergence of a Khilafah in Muslim lands, as a possible prelude - indeed, as possibly the required and necessary prelude - to the emergence, some time in the still distant future, of a numinous way of life for the majority of human beings, as expressed by my mystical way of Folk Culture.

That is, this Folk Culture is currently not a practicable alternative, for a majority of human beings who live in oppressive, Magian-dominated societies, or who live in poverty, or for whom day to day practical survival is more important than some mystical philosophy propounded by some relatively affluent Gnostic living in the relative comfort and stability of the West.

In essence, the way of Folk Culture is both of now, and of our human future - the preferred ethical choice, now, for those who resonate with it - while ethical NS and a Muslim Khilafah are the necessary and numinous choice of those who honourably resonate with them due to their current conditions, their culture, and their personality.

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In some way I might be described as a mystic advocating the "above time" Way of Folk Culture and yet as also someone who understands the intuitive numinosity presented in both ethical National-Socialism and the Way of Ahlus Sunnah Wal-Jammah. In a simplistic sense, both ethical National-Socialism and the implementation of the hukm of Allah are, in my opinion, far better alternatives than the current Magian-dominated status quo.

But in truth I am just me - someone learning, so very slowly, from their experiences. Someone who has been on a decades-long personal and practical journey, and who has, probably from vanity, communicated to others what he has discovered and learned along that journey, thus possibly confusing many people given my seemingly contradictory and sometimes pathetic attempts to convey such a personal learning.

My answers are just my answers, and if others find them interesting or useful or even inspiring, then that may well be good. I would like to believe that such answers as are, have been and may yet be, mine will be useful in moving some human beings toward a more noble, empathic, more compassionate way of life among the star-systems of the Cosmos. But that may well be just a wistful hope of mine.

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